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PRELIMINARY DIAGNOSES OF SEVEN APPARENTLY
NEW NEOTROPICAL BIRDS.

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The present paper is the third of the series appearing in these Proceedings dealing with the apparently new birds discovered from time to time in the collections received by the Carnegie Museum from tropical America. As before, the descriptions are admittedly brief and preliminary in character, as it is expected that all of the forms here named will be treated more at length at some future time. The author's acknowledgments are due to Mr. Harry C. Oberholser for making critical comparisons of several of the forms here described.

***Euscarthmus olivascens* sp. nov.**

Above, including outer margins of remiges and rectrices, yellowish olive, duller and browner on the pileum; auriculars dull brown; throat dull white, with obscure brownish streaks; breast with a band of pale brown, laterally shaded with olive, and streaked with dull white; abdomen white, obscurely streaked with grayish brown anteriorly and laterally, the flanks and under tail-coverts tinged with pale greenish yellow; under wing-coverts pale yellow. Wing, 56; tail, 45; bill, 12.

Type, No. 43,820, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Rio Surutu, Bolivia, April 30, 1911; José Steinbach.

***Attila arizelus* sp. nov.**

Pileum medal bronze, passing into cinnamon brown on the back, scapulars and tertiaries; rump and upper tail-coverts primuline yellow; tail Prout's brown; remiges dusky, the primaries margined externally with hair brown, the secondaries with cinnamon brown; middle and greater coverts tipped with ochraceous tawny, the lesser series with cinnamon brown; throat citrine, obscurely streaked with sulphine yellow;

breast brownish citrine, the streaks obsolete; abdomen white medially, the sides, flanks, and under tail-coverts strongly tinged with buffy yellow.

Type, No. 44,050, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Rio Yapani, Bolivia, August 26, 1913; José Steinbach.

***Coryphistera alaudina campicola* subsp. nov.**

Similar to *Coryphistera alaudina alaudina* Burmeister, but general coloration decidedly paler throughout, the upper parts with more buffy, less brown, and the under parts not so heavily streaked.

Type, No. 32,962, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Guanacos, Bolivia, August 23, 1909; José Steinbach.

***Phæthornis subochraceus* sp. nov.**

Somewhat resembling *Phæthornis squalidus* (Temminck), but more cinnamonaceous below, and rectrices with white tips.

Type, No. 43,585, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult (male?); Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia, May 30, 1909; José Steinbach.

***Columba inornata proxima* subsp. nov.**

Similar to *Columba inornata inornata* Vigors, but general coloration decidedly paler and grayer, and the greater wing-coverts with narrower white margins.

Type, No. 39,892, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Los Indios, Isle of Pines, December 13, 1912; Gustav A. Link.

***Asturina nitida pallida* subsp. nov.**

Similar to *Asturina nitida nitida* (Latham) of eastern and northern South America, but everywhere lighter colored, the dark barring paler and narrower.

Type, No. 43,807, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult female; Rio Surutu, Bolivia, September 15, 1910; José Steinbach.

***Crax annulata* sp. nov.**

Adult female similar to that of *Crax pinima* Pelzeln, but with much more white beneath, the white barring extending to the chin, and the crest-feathers more extensively white.

Type, No. 44,563, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult female; Don Diego, Colombia, January 26, 1914; M. A. Carriker, Jr.